

## **FISCAL NOTE**

### **HB 1739 - SB 2151**

February 20, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Division of Water Supply in TDEC to compile a statewide water system plan and create a revolving loan fund for rural water supply.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

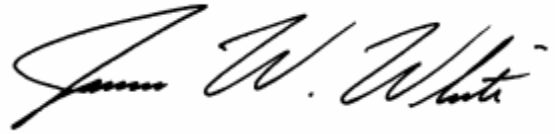
**Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$824,000/Recurring  
\$70,800/One-Time**

##### Assumptions:

- The Department of Environment and Conservation would require 13 additional staff members to conduct such a study. The salaries and benefits of these individuals would result in a recurring increase in state expenditures in excess of \$824,000.
- One-time expenditures related to the supply requirements of these new positions are estimated to be \$70,800.
- Previous studies have indicated it would require 18,000 miles of new waterline to provide public water to all homes in the state. The cost for such service, according to the previous studies, is estimated to be approximately 1.7 billion dollars.
- To accomplish such a study, the department would be required to review at least 3,600 sets of construction plans for new lines, storage tanks, and treatment plants.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director